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WATER.—The Water used is absolutely pure.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,

1 The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 23, 1893.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME RULE.

London, May 22nd.

An assembly of fifteen thousand people favouring Home Rule paraded Hyde Park as a counterblast to the Ulster meeting held at the Albert Hall.

ITALY.

The Italian Ministry has resigned.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE IN NORWAY.

A serious landslide, by which a hundred persons lost their lives, has occurred at Vardalen, Norway.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The gunboat *Albatross* arrived at Shanghai from Kobe on the 19th inst.

The new familiar term "fellow-citizen" is said to have been first used by Patrick Henry in 1776.

H.M.S. *Albatross* with Admiral Fremantle on board, left Foochow for Wenchow on Friday last.

A regular meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 1026, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

Inc.—I was entered at the flower-show, in what class would they put me?
Miss M.—Why, as a daisy, of course!

"LA GRIPPE" has been prevalent in Penang of late, and several cases of a serious character have been reported.

Philanthropic Lawyer.—I just gave that poor beggar a dollar. He was rich once.
Old Sock.—Didn't you manage his estate?

The return of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended May 21st are:—Europeans, 162; Chinese, 1,866; total 2,028.

A TELEGRAM from Tientsin announces that a dividend of 10s. 6d. has been declared on both the old and new shares of the Tong Colliery at Kelping.

THE Japanese steamer *Matsura Maru* collided with a big whale in the Island Sea the other day. It was a serious collision—for the whale. No cards.

By an Imperial edict of the 30th ult., Major-General Ching Ch'ien has been appointed commander-in-chief of the Pescadore, *etc.* Wu Hung-shan, M.P., into mourning.

A CONSIDERABLE amount of new season's tea has been brought into Hongkong by the local fleet of coasting steamers during the past two days, for transhipment to Europe.

An attempt to float the China Navigation Co.'s stranded steamer *Whampoa* on the 19th inst. proved unsuccessful. It was expected that she would be got off on Sunday last.

THE bicycle crank *Lents* arrived at Yunnan Fu, chief city of Yunnan Province, on May 17th and started the following day for Tai-Fu, en route to Burmah via Bhamo or Taiping.

LATEST telegraphic reports from Raub are of a very optimistic character, and, if the Manager is to be believed, are most encouraging.

BISHOP Gullen.—"Yes, it is a good work and I trust you believe in maintaining foreign missions." Young Lady.—"In 'ed I do. Why, papa says Mr. Cleveland every day about one!"

SATURDAY'S *China Mail* records the advent of a new line of steamers to the East—the *Benlone* is reported as reporting that on her way from Singapore she passed a "Blue Flannel" steamer!

At the Magistrate's today the Coroner held an inquest on the body of a coolie killed by a fall into the hold of the steamship *Benlone* at Wanchow Saturday last. Verdict—"accidental death."

THE extension of the new Steel Foundry at the Kowloon Arsenal was completed on the 18th inst., and it was intended to fix up the new machinery, lately arrived from England, within a day or two.

HIS Excellency, Chang Lien-hwei, who has lately been on a "vacation" visit to Peking, returned his old billet as G. v. Governor of Kwangsi. He left Peking to take up the duties of his office on the 19th inst.

ACCORDING to recent advices from Newchwang, trade at that port, so far as southern commodities are concerned, is practically at a standstill. The depreciation of silver is alleged as the cause of this depression.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, which sailed hence on April 27th, for San Francisco, via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama, arrived at her destination on the 20th inst.

THE Coroner's inquiry into the Ma-tau-wai murder case (in which a Chinese woman was found with her throat cut, the husband having fled) was again adjourned to-day until the 24th instant (to-morrow).

In the Supreme Court to-day a coolie who was convicted at the Sessions last week of fortune-telling was brought up for sentence, and subjected to the nominal punishment of one day's imprisonment.

On Sunday (14th) at Saigon races, an Annamite who had been recently punished by the French magistrate attacked four gentlemen with a shotgun, killing the magistrate and seriously wounding his three companions.

In a voyage from East Java to Colombo the other week the steamer *Glossamer* City experienced very rough weather and ran short of coal. She got safe to port by utilizing as fuel a part of her cargo of sugar.

At a meeting of the Cosmopolitan Lodge, No. 425, held in Shanghai on the 17th May, Mr. W. H. C. J. Holland, the I. P. M., was presented with a P. M.'s jewel in recognition of his eminent services to the Lodge.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s extra steamer *City of New York* will sail from San Francisco on the 8th of June for Hongkong, and will leave Hongkong for San Francisco, via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, on July 12th.

We are informed by the Agent of the O. & O. S. S. Co. that the steamship *Bigla*, with mails, etc., from San Francisco to the 4th inst., and *Hoseloh* the 11th, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port on the morning of the 25th.

Mr. J. W. BOWKER, who was appointed Attorney General of the Straits Settlements in 1885, has been promoted to the Chief Justiceship of that colony—an honour thoroughly deserved by conspicuous legal ability and years of useful and copious work.

Berlin Blet.—So you make a special study in Hongkong.
Disgraceful Surgeon.—Yes, I'm writing an essay on *delirium tremens*.

Berlin Blet.—Got in him? Come round and join our Club!

THE British ship *Samartian*, Capt. Churchill, with a cargo of rice from Fale Point to Manila, had to put into Penang on the 8th inst. for repairs, after encountering heavy weather a fortnight previously. The crew had a very hard job at the pumps in order to keep the vessel afloat.

"How did 'The Merchant of Venice' take on the road?"
"All right everywhere except in Utah; but there, when Lancelotti Gobbo declared that 'It is a wise father that knows his own child,' the people all took it as a personal insult and left the house."

An Australian sporting writer on the "irrepressible conflict" writes:—"Golf is a game resembling shinty, with the fan left out, and requires several pounds of ammunition. It is unlikely to catch on with the young Australians, who prefer a game in which one can lay out a personal enemy on a rush on a wicket."

THE Queen's Birthday will be celebrated at Chingking to-morrow by an open-air fete.

An Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

VICTORY LI HUNG-CHANG is credited with having the other day, advised Yang Yu, the new Chinese Minister to Peking, to agree to put Manchuria in any post of responsibility, as they are never to be trusted. Very like a whale!

MR. N. N. J. EZRA, an old and deservedly respected Hongkong resident, established himself as a merchant and commission agent in Singapore on May 15th. We wish Brother Ezra every possible success in his new sphere of action.

THE Singapore *Free Press* states, on authority that Dr. Medeiros, Bishop of Macao, who is at present on a trip home, will certainly return to the Holy City. It had been reported that Dr. Medeiros was to be promoted to the Archbishopric of Goa on his arrival at Lisbon, but that is now denied.

SAYS THE *New York Maritime Register*:—"Although sailing vessels are fast disappearing from the seas, according to some authorities, yet a Scotch shipbuilder has recently received an order for two steel barkentines for Norwegian owners. The new boats will each carry 500 tons on 11 feet draught. Steel vessels will be built in the United States as fast as the wooden vessels disappear."

A CORRESPONDENT, who was present at the Volunteer dinner on Sunday night, points out that the substantial discussion between several of the post-prandial orators (which we do not reproduce) as to who deserved to be styled "Boss Veteran" was all wrong, neither Mr. Francis nor Mr. Arthur having served for as many years, by a long way, as several others who were then present.

LAST night a passenger junk coming into Hongkong harbour, crowded with coolies, was struck by a sudden squall off West Point, and instantly capsized. There were on board 150 men, and the vessel was full of cargo. The vessel was a *Woochee* (Coroner) held an inquest to-day, at which a verdict of "accidental death" was returned in respect of the two named.

A COMPARISON of the traffic on the Suez Canal and the St. Mary's Falls Canal shows that during the past year the number and tonnage of the vessels passing through the Suez Canal was larger. In 1892, 12,380 vessels, with a registered tonnage of 10,472,723 net tons, passed through the St. Mary's Canal as compared with a traffic in the Suez Canal of 3,559 vessels of 7,712,028 tons.

A SPECIAL meeting of Licensing Justices was held at the Magistrate's today. Commr. Hastings, R.N., presided, and Mr. F. H. P. Captain-Superintendent of Police, was the only other J. P. present. The case of *Wong*, a Chinese, was brought on for sentence, and was committed to the House of Correction for 14 days.

A LOCAL post-office has lately been started in Cheloo under the direction of an influential committee of residents, which is said to be a great boon to the community. A post-office run on common sense and practical lines would be an invaluable boon to commercial interests in Hongkong; but it is too much to expect anything so useful until all the moribund and mummified officials have followed Tom Bowline's example and "gone aloft!"

We note that the Directors of the Comair line, with the underwriters of the ship and two American insurance companies which were interested in the cargo, made up a purse of £1,000 which was distributed to Captain McKay, Mr. Tomlinson, chief engineer, and the officers and crew of the ship. The vessel was a *Woochee* (Coroner) held an inquest to-day, at which a verdict of "accidental death" was returned in respect of the two named.

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INSTRUCTOR MANN, of the Hongkong Police, defeated a dozen opponents last Saturday in the Hongkong Rifle Association's competition for Mr. Sassoon's Cup and Spoons, scoring 33 at 200 and 33 at 300 yards, which, deducting his handicap of six points, made a net total of 59. Major Eytton, penalized 6 points, was a very good second with 33 and 29 respectively at the two ranges.

A GERMAN and a Frenchman sat opposite each other at a table d'hôte in a Swiss hotel. "You are a Frenchman, I suppose?" inquired the German at the commencement of the meal. "Yes," was the reply; "but how did you manage to find that out?"

"Because you eat so much bread," said the German. There was a long pause. "When the dinner was over the Frenchman in his turn questioned his vis-à-vis.

"You are a German, I presume?" "To be sure; but tell me, pray, how you made that discovery?"

"Because you ate so much of everything," was the dry retort.

ON the arrival of a certain steamer in Hongkong on Saturday from Shanghai, the water police as usual went aboard to see if there was anything to report, and were informed that there was a cargo of opium on board. The Chinese crew having died suddenly, a few hours before reaching Hongkong. The police accordingly gave the usual orders, and went ashore to get a stretcher and other funeral appointments. On their return, however, they were told that friends of the deceased had removed the body for burial; and after further investigations they found that the corpse had really been taken ashore, not by friends but by some needy persons who had passed it off for \$301. Of course, among the Chinese, with their deep-seated notions about burial, a corpse good for nothing, for just as much as the bereaved relatives can possibly raise; and so in this case they were obliged to redeem their dear departed from where his unscrupulous friends had lodged him.

IN Norway the profits of the liquor traffic have been reduced to a minimum by a peculiar State arrangement known as the *Göteborg* system, imported from Sweden. Under this system, associations authorized by law are given a monopoly of the sale of liquors in certain districts, and all their profits above 5 per cent for interest on their capital are devoted to public objects. The saloon-keeper, who is a servant of the State, receives a salary which does not depend on the amount of liquor which he sells, and hence he has no incentive to increase the number of his customers. One of the most important objects to which the profits of the liquor traffic in Norway is devoted is the improvement of public highways. The roads there have been made by drink in that rugged country are represented by travellers to be the finest in the world. Some of these highways that have been constructed at large cost out of the profits of the liquor business are called "drink roads."

THE *N. C. Daily News* of May 20th, has the following:—For some days past a man calling himself De Vere, and pretending to be the representative of the *San Francisco Examiner*, has been busy in Shanghai preparing to leave the place. He stated that he was sent out to study the Chinese, but a day or two ago, he engaged a foreign house boat for two months, representing to the owner that he was going on two months' survey of the Yangtze and promising to pay for the hire of the boat on Thursday, instead of which he engaged three foreign sailors and went to Woonung, where two of the foreigners deserted, and the Chinese crew were put on shore. He then persuaded Mr. Alexander, a Customs officer stationed on the *Kowloon*, to go with him, promising him five hundred gold dollars on reaching Yokohama, and a thousand when they got to San Francisco. The boat left early yesterday morning on the mad venture. It was well provisioned, but it is hardly the craft to go to sea in. There is a strong suspicion that the individual in question recently came up from Australia and started an unremunerative business in Shanghai.

MEMOIR. (An unpublished poem by Charlotte Brontë.) When the dead in their cold graves are lying Asleep, to wake never again, When past are their smiles and their sighing, Oh! why should their memories remain?

Oh! why should their memories remain? Though sunshine and spring may have lightened The wild flowers that blow on their graves, Though summer their tombstones have brightened, And autumn have pal'd them with leaves;

Though winter have wildly howled them With her dirge wind, as sad as a knell; Though the shroud of her snow-wreath have veiled them, Still, how deep in our bosoms they dwell!

The shadow and sun-sparkle vanish, The cloud and the light fleet away; But man from his heart may not banish Elysian thoughts that are wont to stay.

The reflection departs from the river, When the tree that hung o'er it is cut down; But on Memory's calm current forever The shade, without substance, is thrown.

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At a fashionable ladies' gymnasium in New York the other day four beautiful young ladies made a tumbourine dink when it was suspended six feet in the air. This is great kicking, but not as great as ensued in their respective families when news of the exploit leaked into the papers.

THE race for the One Thousand Guinea Stakes, 1000 guineas each, half forfeit, for three-year-old fillies, 8s. 12d.

